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This is in response to the renewed petition under 37 CFR § 1.59(b), filed January 12, 2010, to expunge information from the above identified application. This application has been allowed.

Petitioner requests that documents transmitted with the Information Disclosure Statement submitted to the Patent Office on November 20, 2002 be expunged from the record. Petitioner states either: (A) that the information contains trade secret material, proprietary material and/or material that is subject to a protective order which has not been made public; or (B) that the information submitted was unintentionally submitted and the failure to obtain its return would cause irreparable harm to the party who submitted the information or to the party in interest on whose behalf the information was submitted, and the information has not otherwise been made public. The petition fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(g) has been paid.

The reasons set forth in this petition establishes to the satisfaction of the Director that expungement of the information is appropriate. The file entry for this document has been closed and as such the document is no longer publicly available, which is the IFW equivalent to removal of a paper document from a paper file wrapper.

Therefore, petitioner's petition is GRANTED.

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